108TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 1312

To make East Kern Airport District in Mojave, California, eligible for airport security improvement assistance from the Transportation Security Administration, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 18, 2003

Mr. Thomas introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 **SECTION 1. FINDINGS.**
- 4 Congress makes the following findings:
- 5 (1) The East Kern Airport District is a general
- 6 aviation airport located in Mojave, California,
- 7 (2) Although the airport does not have commer-
- 8 cial passengers, there is a significant and unique

1 need for enhanced security at the airport to protect 2 the citizens and national interests of the United 3 States from an act of terrorism. SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY OF EAST KERN AIRPORT DISTRICT. 5 Section 367(c) of the Department of Transportation 6 and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2003 (Public 7 Law 108–7, div. I) is amended— (1) by striking "A letter" and inserting "(1) 8 9 Except as provided in paragraph (2), a letter"; (2) by striking "(1) The" and inserting "(A) 10 11 the"; (3) by striking "(2) The" and inserting "(B) 12 13 the"; and 14 (4) by adding at the end the following: 15 "(2) The Under Secretary may issue a letter of intent under this section to East Kern Airport District in Mojave, California, for each of the following: 17 18 "(A) Not to exceed \$1,250,000 to reimburse 19 the airport for airport security costs incurred since 20 September 11, 2001. "(B) Not to exceed \$300,000 per fiscal year for 21 22 the cost of security at the airport, including the cost 23 of employing airport security personnel.".

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